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ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a gene involved in the growth-promoting function of acetic acid bacteria and a microorganism containing the gene. In particular, the present invention provides a method for enhancing the growth-promoting function of acetic acid bacteria and a method for efficiently producing vinegar containing acetic acid at a high concentration in a short time using such acetic acid bacteria having an enhanced growth-promoting function.